Town of Woodstock Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Thursday, October 20, 2016 7:00 PM – Room A

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** D. Mitchell Eaffy, Allan D. Walker, Jr.

**ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION:** Chandler Paquette

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Steve Adams, Dawn Adiletta, Joseph Adiletta, Joni Cullan, Ed Higgins, Elizabeth

Zimmerman Smith, Jeffrey Stefanik, WINY

1. Call to Order

First Selectman Walker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approve the Minutes of October 3, 2016 Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting

**Eaffy moved** to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2016 special Board of Selectmen's meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

3. Consider the Reappointment of Douglas Porter (Full Member) and Allan Walker, Jr. (Alternate Member) to the Northeast District Department of Health Board for the Term of December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2019

**Eaffy moved** to reappoint Douglas Porter as a Full Member and Allan Walker, Jr. as an Alternate Member to the Northeast District Department of Health Board for the term of December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2019. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

4. Consider the Appointment of Christine Johnston Lessig as a Full Member to the Historic District Commission for the Term of October 20, 2016 through December 31, 2020

**Eaffy moved** to appoint Christine Johnston Lessig as a full member to the Historic District Commission for the term of October 20, 2016 through December 31, 2020. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

5. Consider the Request for a Subordination Agreement of Two Liens Relating to the Woodstock Housing Rehabilitation Project #2007-08

The homeowner is requesting approval of a subordination agreement for the two liens that originated from work done on their house through the Woodstock Housing Rehabilitation program. This is the second time they have requested that the Selectmen approve a subordination agreement for these two liens; the last time was in 2013. They are combining a first mortgage and an equity loan to lower their interest rate and monthly payments.

**Eaffy moved** to approve a subordination agreement for two liens on Project #2007-08 of the Woodstock Housing Rehabilitation Program. The first lien is in the amount of \$2,844.45 found in Volume 501, Page 339 dated January 14, 2009, and the second lien is in the amount of \$12,648 found in Volume 501, Page 345 dated January 14, 2009. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

# 6. Consider the Request for a Tax Abatement for Land on Rocky Hill Road Conveyed by Elizabeth Zimmerman Smith and Patrick Lynch Smith to the Wyndham Land Trust, Inc.

Walker reported that the tax abatement is on the agenda for discussion. Attorney Higgins submitted the Smiths' request; and Town Attorney DeCrescenzo reviewed it. Attorney DeCrescenzo stated that once the transfer had been accomplished, it would be necessary to confirm that the grantee (The Wyndham Land Trust, Inc.) qualified as an eligible tax exempt entity. Tax abatements can only be approved by Town Meeting. Attorney Higgins provided the wording of the resolution to be considered at the Town Meeting.

**Eaffy moved** to schedule a Town Meeting for consideration of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 12-81dd of the Connecticut General Statues, the real property taxes assessed on the Grand List of October 1, 2015, pertaining to the real property described in a certain gift Warranty Deed from Elizabeth Zimmerman Smith and Patrick McKenna Lynch Smith to The Wyndham Land Trust, Inc., dated April 5, 2016, and recorded in Woodstock Land Records Volume 613, Page 326 are hereby abated.

The First Selectmen indicated that the Town Meeting would take place prior to the end of the year. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

# 7. Tax Rebates

**Eaffy moved** to approve the following tax rebates:

- Joan Cummings in the amount of \$130.05
- Sandra Blake in the amount of \$103.49

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 8. Correspondence and Announcements

None.

#### 9. Citizen's Comments

Dawn Adiletta thanked the Selectmen for moving the request for the tax abatement forward.

## 10. Adjournment

**Eaffy moved** to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Respectfully submitted,

Joni Cullan, Clerk